



**BROADBANDUSA**  
CONNECTING AMERICA'S COMMUNITIES



- > I have given the table topper to the Senior citizens Club and have put them in the Library. The palm cards are on the Library circulation desk.
- > Open House on February 29th to show people our computers purchased with BTOP funds. Distributed brochures with Library hours, etc.
- > Need Help With A Gad-g-et? - Open house 3/27/12 from 3-7pm with MSL consultant Lauren McMullen. Helped with laptops, eReaders, iPads, Kindles. 3 staff members also helped & learned

## Sheridan County Public Library

### BTOP Public Computing Center Goals and Objectives

Montana's project promotes three BTOP statutory purposes:

- 1) provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in under-served areas of the country;
- 2) provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to libraries; and,
- 3) stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

#### Objectives

- 1) increase broadband speeds at participating libraries up to 21 mbps;
- 2) cut wait times in half by increasing the total number of workstations and expanding library operation hours;
- 3) improve access by purchasing ADA compliant software, hardware, and furniture, and through minor renovation projects aimed at increasing accessibility of computing center facilities;
- 4) offer courses to increase computer literacy; and
- 5) provide Internet and library resources to rural Montana using a mobile computer lab.

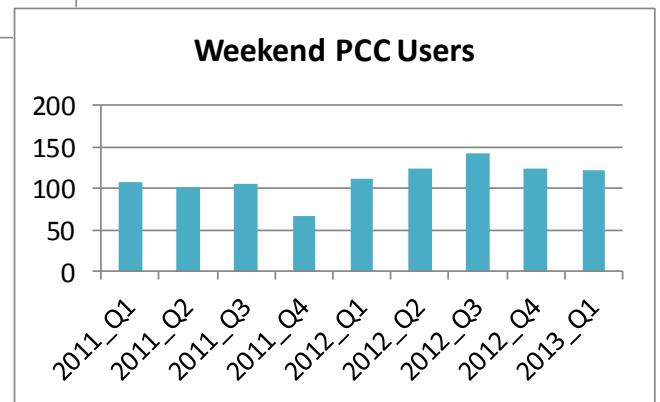
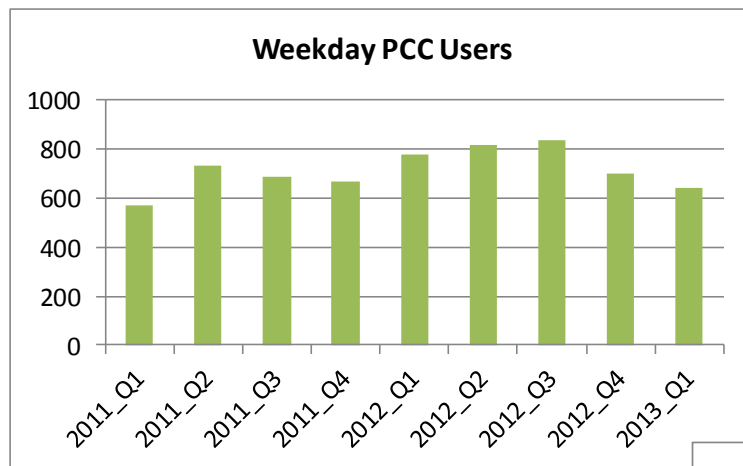
## Successes

Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
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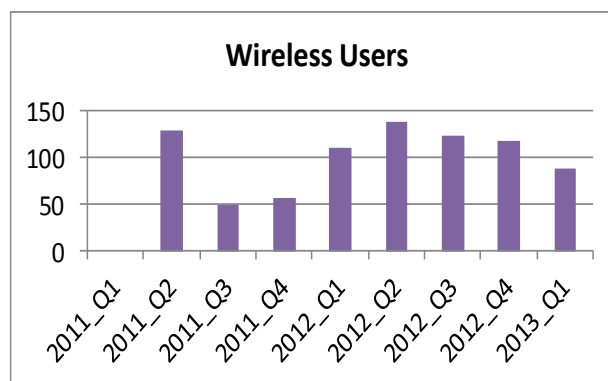
### Sheridan County Public Library Computing Center Now Offers...

- ◆ 1 desktop computer
- ◆ 2 laptop computers
- ◆ 1 ZoomText 10 low vision software
- ◆ 1 ZoomText Camera with stand
- ◆ 1 low dexterity mouse
- ◆ 1 low vision keyboard
- ◆ 1 Bierley magnification mouse
- ◆ 1 LaserJet printer
- ◆ iPad
- ◆ Kindle Keyboard
- ◆ Kindle Fire
- ◆ Nook Tablet
- ◆ Samsung Galaxy Tab
- ◆ Google Nexus
- ◆ Coby Snapp digital video camera

## Public Computer Center Usage



## Patrons who have taken advantage of public wireless access



## Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
17.18	364	13